

**Wincanton Rural District Council**

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# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**OF THE**

**MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH**

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**31st DECEMBER, 1968**



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PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

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TO THE  
CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILLORS  
OF THE

WINCANTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for the year 1968.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

The total number of live births during the year was 244, as compared with 274 for the previous year. The Standardised Birth Rate was 16.5, as compared with 19 for the previous year. The rate for England and Wales was 16.9.

Deaths

The number of deaths of infants under the age of one year was 10, as compared with 7 for the previous year. The Infant Mortality Rate (i.e. deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births) was 41, as compared with 25.5 for the previous year. The rate for England and Wales was 18.3. The Perinatal Mortality Rate was 60, as compared with 21.6 for the previous year. The rate for England and Wales was 25.4.

The Standardised Death Rate of the general population was 11.7 as compared with 11.1 for the previous year. The Death Rate for England and Wales was 11.2. Of the total deaths for all ages, namely, 271, 143 occurred in people aged 75 years and over.

As in previous years, the major causes of death were Heart Disease, 93, Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System, (strokes) 58, and Cancer, 43. With regard to Heart Disease, 72 deaths were ascribed to Ischaemic Heart Disease (Coronary Disease). Coronary Disease in general is thought of as a disease which attacks adults, mainly men, in the 35 - 55 age group, but with regard to men, 70% of the deaths occurred over the age of 65 years. Similarly, for women, of the 36 deaths, 88.8 occurred over the age of 65.

Lung Cancer

The average number of deaths due to lung cancer for the past seven years, was 10.03 for men and for women 1.03. The average population for this period was 16,784. The Cancer Rate/million, based on the above figures is 598 for men, and for women 55. The figures for England and Wales were 1,011 and 197 respectively.

Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System

Of the total number of deaths for men, 86.4% were 65 years and over. For women, of the total number of deaths 91.8% were 65 years and over.

Of the deaths due to all causes, namely, 271, 94 were 65 years and over, for men, and for women, 113 were 65 years and over. The conclusion to be drawn is that Wincanton Rural District provides a healthy environment, and that old age is a reasonable expectation. This satisfactory state of the health of the Community, however, poses a problem of accommodation, etc. for the elderly section of the Community, and this problem is becoming more urgent. The provision of bungalows, suitable flats, with or without Warden supervision by the Council - the provision of suitable Homes by the County Council, and adequate geriatric accommodation by the Hospital Authority, are all essential.

#### IMMUNISATION

Consequent upon the use of the Computer at County Hall, all infants and children are now referred to their family doctors for immunisation. The Somerset scheme differs from that of the West Sussex scheme and the West Riding scheme, which permits parents to choose whether they wish the immunisations to be carried out by the family doctor or by a County Medical Officer working at a Clinic, or in the case of school children at the school the child attends. It is hoped that figures showing the number of children immunised, etc. by the various doctors in the area will be available, from which an approximate state of immunisation can be assessed.

As in my previous Annual Reports, I should like to record my appreciation of the kindness, courtesy and help I have invariably received from the members of the Council and Officials.

I have the honour to be,  
Your obedient servant,

P. P. Fox

Medical Officer of Health.



# WINCANTON RURAL DISTRICT

## STATISTICS OF THE AREA FOR THE YEAR 1968

Area (in acres)	...	...	...	...	64,540
Rateable Value (31.3.69)	...	...	...	...	£534,700
Estimated Produce of 1d. rate	...	...	...	...	£2,071
No. of inhabited houses	...	...	...	...	5,888
Population	...	...	...	...	16,940

### RAINFALL

The rainfall for the year was 35.42 (37.53 in 1967).

### VITAL STATISTIC. OF THE YEAR

The statistics furnished by the Registrar General shows the number of births and deaths after correction has been made for transfers to the normal place of residence of the individuals concerned. From these figures can be calculated the "crude" birth and death rates. As, however, the highest mortality occurs at the two extremes of life, and industrial areas in general have a larger proportion of people living in the middle age periods of life, some correction must be made for the irregularities of distribution as regards age and sex, as otherwise the death rate will afford no accurate means of comparing the healthiness of one district with another. This comparability factor is furnished by the Registrar General, and applied to the "crude" birth or death rate, gives a standardised rate and enables comparison to be made with the rate for England and Wales, or with rates of other districts.

Live Births	...	...	...	...	...	244
Live Birth Rate	..	...	...	...	...	14.4
Standardised Birth Rate	..	...	...	...	...	16.5
Stillbirths	...	...	...	...	...	8
Stillbirth Rate per 1,000 total (live and still births)						31.7
Total Births	...	...	...	...	...	252
Infant Deaths	...	...	...	...	...	10
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births				...		41
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 legitimate births						31
" " " " 1,000 illegitimate births						83.3
Neonatal Mortality Rate (first four weeks) per 1,000 related live births						32.7
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate (first week) per 1,000 related live births						28.7
Perinatal Mortality Rate (stillbirths + deaths during the first week) per 1,000 total live and still births						60
Percentage of illegitimate live births				...		4.9
Maternal Deaths (excluding abortion)				...	...	-
Maternal Mortality (including abortion) per 1,000 total births						-

<u>BIRTHS</u>			<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
(a) <u>Live Births</u>				
Legitimate	...	125	107	232
Illegitimate	...	7	5	12
		132	112	244
Crude Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population			14.4	16.3
Standardised Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population			16.5	19
Birth Rate for England & Wales	...		16.9	17.2

(b) <u>Stillbirths</u>				
Legitimate	...	1	7	8
Illegitimate	...	-	-	-
		1	7	8
Stillbirth Rate per 1,000 live and still births			...	32
Stillbirth Rate for England and Wales			...	14

<u>DEATHS</u>			<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total Deaths	...	132	139	271
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 population			16.0	14.5
Standardised Death Rate per 1,000 population			11.7	11.1
Death Rate for England and Wales	...		11.9	11.2

#### MATERNAL MORTALITY

Puerperal Sepsis Nil.  
Other Puerperal Causes Nil.

#### DEATHS

The Standardised Death Rate was 11.7. The Death Rate for England and Wales was 11.9. The following table shows the age and sex incidence, and it will be noted that amongst the males, of the 132 deaths, 33 occurred between 65 and 75 years of age, and 61 75 years and over. Of the females, out of the total of 139 deaths, 31 were between 65 and 75 and 82 were 75 years and over.

Ages at Death in yrs.	Male	Female	Total
Under 1	6	4	10
1 - 5	-	-	-
5 - 15	1	-	1
15 - 25	3	1	4
25 - 35	1	1	2
35 - 45	2	2	4
45 - 55	4	6	10
55 - 65	21	12	33
65 - 75	33	31	64
75 & over	61	82	143
Total	132	139	271



		1968	1967
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	...	43	33
Deaths from Heart Diseases (all ages)	...	93	82
Deaths from Phthisis	...	-	-

The following table shows the causes of death and sex distribution.

	Male	Female
Other Tuberculosis ...	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach ...	2	1
" " -- Lung Bronch s	7	1
" " - Breast ..	-	5
" " - Uterus ...	-	1
Leukaemia ...	-	1
Other malignant neoplasms, etc.	14	11
Diabetes Mellitus ...	-	2
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	2	1
Hypertensive Disease ....	4	1
Ischaemic Heart Disease ...	36	36
Other forms of Heart Disease ...	3	10
Cerebrovascular Disease ...	22	36
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	12	16
Influenza ...	1	1
Pneumonia ...	10	7
Bronchitis and Emphysema ...	3	-
Other diseases of respiratory system	2	1
Peptic Ulcer ...	1	-
Nephritis and Nephrosis ...	1	-
Diseases of Musculo-skeletal system	1	2
Congenital Anomalies ...	-	1
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	5	-
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents ...	3	1
All other accidents ...	-	1
Suicide and Self-inflicted Injuries	1	1
Total ...	132	139

#### INFANTILE MORTALITY

The number of children dying within the first twelve months of life was 10. The rate per 1,000 live births was 41, as compared with England and Wales - 18.

#### CAUSES OF DEATH AND AGE

	Under 4 weeks	4 weeks and under 1 yr.
Diseases of respiratory system ...	-	1
Congenital Anomalies ...	-	1
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	5	-
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	3	-
Total ...	8	2

## MATERNAL MORTALITY

There were no maternal deaths during the year.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The following table sets out the details of infectious diseases notified during the year, also the figures for the previous year.

					Cases Notified	
					1968	1967
Measles	...	...	...	...	49	215
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	4	17
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	...	3	1
Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	-	1
Dysentery	...	...	...	...	-	5
Tuberculosis Pulmonary	...	...	...	...	1	-
Infective Jaundice	...	...	...	...	6	-
Total	...	...	...	...	63	239

## TUBERCULOSIS

The number of cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis notified during the year was 1, Non-pulmonary nil. There were no deaths recorded as due to Pulmonary Tuberculosis, but there was 1 death recorded as due to Non-pulmonary Tuberculosis.

## HOME HELP SERVICE

The work of the Home Help Service continues to be an essential auxiliary of the Health and Welfare Services, and the table below shows the type of case and number dealt with during 1968, also the figures for the previous year.

Type of Case	1968	1967
Mental Illness	-	1
Maternity	2	6
Old Age and Infirmary	58	70
Chronic Illness	7	1
General Illness	4	3
Post-operation	1	-
Accidents	1	-
Child Care	76	89

CHILD WELFARE CLINICS

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE

	CASTLE CARY	HEN- STRIDGE	MILBORNE PORT	WINCANTON	BRUTON	TOTAL
No. of children who attended for the first time, under 1 year of age      ...	19	29	35	40	17	139
No. of children who attended during the year	75	219	98	85	60	537
Total attendances of children during the year	532	1,259	553	473	192	3,009
Average attendance of children per session	23	52	23	19	16	133
Total No. of consultations with Medical Officer	53	258	-	-	96	407
No. of medical sessions with Medical Officer	10	22	-	-	12	44
Total No. of sessions	23	24	24	24	12	107

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

To the Chairman and Members of the Wincanton Rural District Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to present my annual report for the year ended 31st December, 1968.

The total number of inspections was 5,503 made up as follows:-

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS

Caravan Sites	...	...	...	...	...	87
Dangerous Buildings and Demolition Sites...	...	...	...	...	...	47
Drainage, Sewers and Sewage Disposal.	...	...	...	...	...	448
Nuisances	...	...	...	...	...	154
Rodent and other infestations..	...	...	...	...	...	19
Infectious diseases	...	...	...	...	...	5
Water Supplies	...	...	...	...	...	41
Sanitary Accommodation...	...	...	...	...	...	-

New Buildings

Building Regulations and Town Planning ... 2741

Housing ... 342

Grants. ... 353

Food & Drugs Act.

Meat inspection ... 536

Food premises. ... 125

Food inspection ... 83

Petroleum ... 129

Factories ... 8

Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act. ... 80

Waste Food Order... ... 3

Miscellaneous. ... 302

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## WATER SUPPLIES

The water supplies of the District have been generally satisfactory in both quality and quantity.

Routine sampling of the public supplies, both chemical and bacteriological, are undertaken by the Wessex Water Board and copies of the reports have been supplied.

Sampling has also been undertaken by this Department with the following results.

SUPPLY	RAW WATER				TREATED AFTER GOING INTO SUPPLY			
	BACTERIOLOGICAL		CHEMICAL		BACTERIOLOGICAL		CHEMICAL	
	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Public	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Private	6	7	NIL	NIL	1	NIL	NIL	NIL

## SEWERAGE

Renewal of existing sewers in Castle Cary at a cost of £ 4,424. were completed during the year.

A £39,000 sewerage scheme to serve Galhampton and the North Town area of North Cadbury, including the necessary enlargement of the North Cadbury sewage works, is in progress.

## HOUSING

### Housing - Action under the Housing Acts.

1. (a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected.....	220
(b) Total number of inspections for the purpose.....	342
2. (a) No. of houses (included under 1(a)) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925.....	28
(b) No. of inspections for this purpose.....	31
3. No. of houses in respect of which no action was necessary	93
4. No. of houses found in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation (Sec.16 & 42)	37
5. No. of houses (exclusive of those in 4) found not to be in all respects fit for human habitation (Sec.9).....	77



Housing - Action under the Housing Acts.

Informal Action.

6. (a) No. of defective houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action.....	32
(b) No. of houses demolished voluntarily or in consequence of informal action.....	5

Statutory Action (Housing Act).

7. (a) No. of houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repair.....	NIL
(b) No. of houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:-	
(i) By owner (Sec. 10 to 26).....	7
(ii) By the L.A. in default (Sec. 10).....	NIL

Statutory Action (Public Health Act).

8. (a) No. of houses in respect of which formal notices were served requiring repair.....	NIL
(b) No. of houses in which defects were remedied:-	
(i) By the owner.....	NIL
(ii) By the L.A. in default.....	NIL

Housing Act, Section 16/42.

9. (a) No. of houses in respect of which notices were served under Section 16.....	24
(b) No. of houses included in Clearance Areas.....	NIL
(c) No. of Demolition Orders.....	9
(d) No. of Closing Orders.....	13
(e) No. of houses demolished following action under 9(b) & (c)	9
(f) No. of houses closed following action under 9(d).....	6
(g) No. of Undertakings Not to Use accepted.....	2
(h) No. of houses closed as a result of action under 9(g)....	2

Housing Act, Section 18.

10. (a) No. of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made.....	NIL
(b) No. of houses closed as a result of action under 10(a)...	NIL
(c) No. of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which the Closing Orders were determined, the premises having been made fit.....	NIL

Housing Act, 1961.

11. Houses in multiple occupation. Notices served under:-

(a) Section 15.....	NIL
(b) Section 16.....	NIL

Housing Act, 1961.

Overcrowding.

12. (a) No. of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year.....	NIL
(i) No. of families involved.....	NIL
(ii) No. of people involved.....	NIL
(b) (i) No. of cases abated during the year.....	NIL
(ii) No. of persons involved.....	NIL
(c) No. of cases having become overcrowded again, after the Local Authority have taken steps to abate the overcrowding.....	NIL

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

No. of houses involved:-

<u>AGRICULTURAL</u>	<u>OWNER/OCCUPIED</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	
2	4	1	7

Applications received

<u>AGRICULTURAL</u>	<u>OWNER/OCCUPIED</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	
1	4	1	6

Applications

	<u>APPROVED</u>	<u>REFUSED</u>	<u>UNDER CONSIDERATION</u>	<u>WITHDRAWN ABANDONED ETC.</u>	
AGRICULTURAL	-	-	1	-	
OWNER/OCC.	-	1	1	-	
OTHER	1	-	-	2	
	1	1	2	2	6

No. completed during 1968 ..... 9

At average cost per house of..... £ 392.

STANDARD GRANTS

No. of houses involved:-

<u>AGRICULTURAL</u>	<u>OWNER/OCCUPIED</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	
2	12	5	19

Applications received:-

<u>AGRICULTURAL</u>	<u>OWNER/OCCUPIED</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	
2	12	5	19

Applications

	<u>APPROVED</u>	<u>REFUSED</u>	<u>UNDER CONSIDERATION</u>	<u>WITHDRAWN ABANDONED ETC.</u>	
AGRICULTURAL	2	-	-	-	
OWNER/OCC.	8	1	2	1	
OTHER	4	-	-	1	
	14	1	2	2	19

No. completed during 1968..... 14

At average cost per house of..... £ 177.

# New Housing.

The following table gives details of the 74 dwellings erected during the year, the figures in brackets being those for 1967:-

	COUNCIL HOUSES				PRIVATE ENTERPRISE
	1 Bed Bungalows	2 Bed Houses	3 Bed Houses	TOTAL	
ALFORD.	-	-	-	-	1
ANSFORD.	-	-	-	-	3
BRATTON SEYMOUR.	-	-	-	-	-
BREWHAM.	-	-	-	-	3
BRUTON.	-	-	-	-	-
CASTLE CARY.	-	-	-	-	7
CHARLTON MORETHORPE.	-	-	-	-	4
CHARLTON MUSGROVE.	-	-	-	-	-
CORTON DENHAM.	-	-	-	-	2
CUCKLINGTON.	-	-	-	-	-
HENSTRIDGE.	-	-	-	-	5
HOLTON.	-	-	-	-	-
HORSINGTON.	-	-	-	-	1
LOVINGTON.	-	-	-	-	1
MILBORNE PORT.	-	-	-	-	16
NORTH CADBURY.	-	-	-	-	-
NORTH CHERITON.	-	-	-	-	1
PENSELWOOD.	-	-	-	-	1
PITCOMBE.	-	-	-	-	-
QUEEN CAMEL.	-	8	-	8	1
SHEPTON MONTAGUE.	-	-	-	-	-
SOUTH BARROW.	-	-	-	-	6
SPARKFORD.	-	-	-	-	1
STOKE TRISTER.	-	-	-	-	1
TEMPLECOMBE.	-	4	-	4	3
WINCANTON.	-	-	-	-	5
	-	12	-	12 (40)	62 (64)

There were no Council Houses and 108 Private Enterprise Houses under construction at the end of the year.

During the year the tenants of 14 "Condemned" houses were rehoused in Council Houses.

There remains 18 occupied houses which are subject to Demolition Orders, Closing Orders or Undertakings Not to Use.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

There are no Common Lodging Houses in the area.

MOVEABLE DWELLINGS - CARAVANS.

No real problem exists, except to establish which of the many caravans in existence actually need to be licensed.

STATUTORY AND INFORMAL ACTION (other than Housing)

Informal Action

In addition to 101 Informal Notices outstanding at the beginning of the year 26 have been served. Of the total of 127 47 have been complied with.

Statutory Action

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS

Statutory Notices served.....	NIL
Statutory Notices Complied With.....	NIL

HOUSE REFUSE AND SALVAGE

The House Refuse scheme continues to operate by direct labour, using three 16/24 cubic yard rear loading vehicles.

Weekly collections are made in Ansford, Bruton, Castle Cary, Milborne Port and Wincanton, involving a population of 7,500. The remainder of the District, with the exception of a few outlying and isolated premises, has a collection each fortnight.

Refuse disposal is by tipping at Bowden and Sparkford and a salvage depot is in operation at Maperton.

Closet Accommodation

There were 8 Pail to Water closet conversions and 8 Chemical to Water closet conversions.

Public Conveniences.

There are six public conveniences in the District. One each at Bruton and Milborne Port, two each at Castle Cary and Wincanton.



## FOOD

- (1) The number and type of food premises in the District are as follows:-

Hotels and Public Houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	51
Grocery Stores (inc. greengroceries & Village Stores).	...							71
Butcheries..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Confectioneries...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
Cafes.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Fried Fish and Wet Fish Shops.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Licensed Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Egg Packing and Poultry Plucking Stations.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Dairies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Canteens and School Meals Kitchens..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Bakeries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Wholesale Groceries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

- (2) The number of Food Premises registered and operating under Section 16 of the Food & Drugs Act, 1955, is ... .. 119 +

For the sale of Ice-Creams:-

Groceries.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	69	
Confectioneries.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	
Dairies...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Works Canteens..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Cafes.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	99

For the sale of Fried Fish ... .. 7 7

For Sausage Making ... .. 13 13 +

+ (One premises is registered under two headings) 119

No. of Registered Dairies... .. 6

### Food & Drugs Act, 1955.

A case was taken against a shop for the sale of mouldy pies.

Defendants were fined £10. with £10. costs.

The Council also gave warnings to two other food vendors.

### FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS.

125 inspections were made, a slight improvement on last year, but I should be glad if we were able to make a substantial increase in the number of visits made.

### Miscellaneous Foods.

During the year 1,119 tins and packages of various foodstuffs, weighing 1 ton 16 cwt 34 lbs 14 ozs were condemned. These foods were disposed of by burial at the Refuse tip.

### OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

Progress has been maintained with inspections under this Act. A total of 80 visits have been made during the year, including 20 general inspections.

Three additional premises were registered during the year, bringing the total number to 110.

Five informal notices were served and eleven were complied with during the year.

MEAT

A hundred per-cent inspection of meat has been maintained, with the results shown in the following table.

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Goats
Number killed	664	1782	308	1841	182	1
Number inspected	664	1782	308	1841	182	1
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci.</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	2	67	58	28	21	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	54	1308	6	173	20	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci.	8.4	77.2	20.8	10.9	22.5	-
<u>Tuberculosis only.</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	-	-	-	-	1	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis.	-	-	-	-	.5	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned						
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration				N I L		
Generalised and totally condemned						
<u>Weight of meat condemned (in lbs.) for:-</u>						
(a) Tuberculosis						
(b) Cysticercosis				N / A		
(c) Other						
Total (in lbs.) condemned						

RODENT CONTROL

No charge is made for operations at dwellings.

Charges based on the actual cost of operations continue to be made in respect of business and agricultural premises.

The sewers, sewage works and refuse tips are all subject to regular treatment.

The summary of operations is given in the following table:-

	CLASS OF PROPERTY			
	L.A.	D.H's.	Business	Agric.
Prevalence of rats and/or mice	36	162	13	29
Number infested by:-				
Rats - Major     ...     ...	1	3	-	4
- Minor     ...     ...	35	137	10	25
Mice - Major     ...     ...	-	-	-	-
- Minor     ...     ...	-	22	3	-
Number of properties inspected	38	193	24	64
Number of properties treated	36	162	13	29

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

F.R. BEALING.

Senior Public Health Inspector.







